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General Meeting

April 19, 9 a.m.
Multi-Purpose Facility



Ute flags posted in State Capitol

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
The Southern Ute Drum

The sound of drums echoed off granite walls as dignitaries gathered to recognize the Colorado Ute tribes' flags in the state Capitol on Thursday, March 22.

The flag ceremony officially marked the residency of the Ute flags in the state's center of government. The Ute Mountain Ute and Southern Ute flags — yellow and blue, respectively — will be displayed prominently outside Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia's office.

Carried in by veterans led by Southern Ute tribal elder Austin Box, the colors were posted in the main entrance as delegates from the tribes watched.

Colorado State Governor John Hickenlooper spoke to a captive audience.

"The State of Colorado continues to honor the government-to-government relationship with the two Colorado Ute tribes," Hickenlooper said. "Their impact on the state cannot be overstated."

"When we fly this flag, we fly it with dignity, as part of our tradition," said Ute Mountain Ute Vice Chairman Bradley



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Austin Box, a Southern Ute elder and veteran, stands alongside representatives from the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe in a historic flag ceremony honoring the Ute tribes of Colorado. The flags will be posted in the State Capitol permanently following the ceremony, which took place on Thursday, March 22 under the supervision of Gov. John Hickenlooper.

Hight. Hight also paid tribute to the original designers who helped create the tribal flags.

Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Member and former Chairman Howard D. Richards Sr. spoke on behalf of his tribe.

"I thank [state officials] for allowing us this honor today," he said, adding that past leaders might be thinking "It's about time the State of Colorado recognized our tribes through our flags."

Ernest House Jr., executive secretary to the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs, noted that the ceremony was the result of almost two years of collaboration between the governor's office and the commission.

Academy earns Montessori accreditation

By Ace Stryker
The Southern Ute Drum

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy has earned accreditation from the American Montessori Society, becoming the first Native American school in the country to win the recognition.

"It's a goal we've worked toward since we opened up back in 2000," said Director Carol Baker Olguin. "You have to go through a great deal of meeting standards that were set by the Montessori society."

From the society's website: "During the application process, every aspect of the school is examined and documented, including governance, curriculum, fiscal and personnel policies, facilities, health and safety practices, teacher preparation, and learner outcomes."

As part of the process, a team from AMS visited the academy in November 2009 to assess its compliance with Montessori

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Denver, Durango host powwows



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Powwows filled the calendar last month from Denver to Durango. Veterans greet each other following a Grand Entry at the Denver March Powwow held March 23-25 in the Denver Coliseum, billed as Colorado's largest gathering of tribes each spring. Crowned Miss Hozhoni at the 48th annual Fort Lewis College Hozhoni Days Powwow, Sunshine Perry receives congratulations from friends and family on Saturday, March 31 following the Native American pageant.



photo courtesy Melinda Ortiz



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Peter Dietrich of the Southern Ute Environmental Programs Division stands alongside Chris Herman, and environmental services specialist, to inspect a vent pipe that was installed at the Cuthair residence in Oxford. The electronic ventilation system is part of a radon-mitigation program offered by the tribe to alleviate the toxic fumes that can build up in residential homes regardless of age.

Environmental Programs clears the air

By Peter Dietrich
Southern Ute Environmental Programs Division

The Southern Ute Environmental Programs Division installed a radon-mitigation system on Tuesday, March 27 in Delbert Cuthair Jr.'s Oxford home as part of an ongoing effort to make tribal members' homes safer.

Several techniques may be used in radon mitigation, but in Cuthair's case the best and least invasive strategy was to dig down to the French drain that goes around the outside of the foundation and install a vent. Other techniques require drilling multiple holes in the concrete slab foundation to get to the ground underneath the house or laying down thick plastic and adding ventilation in a crawlspace.

The French drain method only requires a single hole to be dug down to the drain, where a 4-inch PVC pipe and radon fan are

connected to the drain in order to safely vent the gas above the roofline and away from any windows. The radon fan runs continuously.

The mitigation contractor installed an easy-to-read pressure monitor inside the house, which displays the fan's performance. Further monitoring will be performed by the Environmental Programs Division to track how efficiently the new system is lowering radon levels in the home.

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that cannot be seen, tasted or smelled. It comes from trace amounts of Uranium in the ground under buildings, and is the second-leading cause of lung cancer in the United States behind smoking.

Radon is always around us; it's part of nature, but buildings actually draw radon out of the ground, where the radioactive gas accumulates. This effect is at its strongest during winter, because

when the temperature drops, doors and windows tend to be closed and the home's heater is active.

Everybody knows that hot air rises, but it's not so well-known that an active heater combined with closed doors and windows can lower air pressure in your home. This low air pressure pulls the in the air from under your home, where the radon is lurking.

Another factor is the "stack effect," which is directly related to the height of the home. The taller the structure, the more air there is to move, which increases the low pressure that draws additional air from under the home. The "stack effect" really gets triggered when there are high winds blowing over the home, which also increase the negative pressure in the home.

Lastly, low pressure can be intensified by indoor fans that remove air from the home,

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News in brief

IGNACIO

PRCLC offering photography classes

The Pine River Community Learning Center Community Education Program is offering a photography class starting Tuesday, April 10 at the Ignacio location at 535 Candelaria Dr. The classes will run for four weeks on Tuesday evenings: April 10, 17 and 24, and May 1. Class time will be 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The classes will cover digital photog-raphy basics, capture, workflow on computer and camera, manipulation, email, formatting, camera basics (aperture, shutter, focus), software, and trans-fering photos from cell phone to computer. Cost is \$75 for all four classes. You must preregister and pay prior to the start of class. If you are interested in participating, please call Deb Pace at 970-563-0681.

Attention: Sun Dancers

A meeting to prepare for the Southern Ute Sun Dance has been scheduled from 6 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, April 12 at the Multi-purpose Facility.

Discovery Museum to host Lego League practices

The Southern Ute Education Department, in coop-eration with the Durango Discovery Museum, will host spring 2012 Lego League practice sessions on Thursdays, April 12, 19 and 26 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Team qualifications include a strong commit-ment to yourself and your team; curiosity; focus; self-control; ability to follow directions; above-aver-age work ethic; great attitude; passion for science, math, or technology; and interest in a little friendly competition. Call Carrie A. Vogel at 970-563-0235 and sign up to attend. Additional information will be passed out to qualified Southern Ute/JOM students going into the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. For more information, visit www.durangodiscovery.org.

Career Fair slated for April 19

The Southern Ute Education Department's annu-al Career Fair will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 19 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort's Events Center.

Free bison meat available to tribal members

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Division of Wildlife Resource Management maintains a small herd of bison for the Tribe's ceremonial, cultural and dietary needs. As a service to the tribal membership, the division makes available bison meat to enrolled Southern Ute tribal members free of charge. Tribal bison are grass-fed at low herd density and are free of artificial hormones and other synthetic chemicals. Bison meat is naturally low in cholesterol and an excellent, healthy alternative to beef. If you are an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member interested in obtaining bison meat for personal use, call the Divi-sion of Wildlife at 970-563-0130. Quantities and cuts of meat available may be limited.

Ignacio schools plan Relay For Life dance

On April 20, the Ignacio schools' Relay for Life Team will be hosting the fourth annual Family Dance. This year promises to be even bigger and better than years past. As in the past few years, the event will have a great D.J. (Oscar Cosio), a bake sale, and visitors will have the chance to design a luminaire for loved ones who have battled cancer. The luminaries will be displayed at the Relay for Life event on Friday, July 13.

Explorers to host yard sale

On Saturday, April 28, the Ignacio Elementary Explorers Club will be hosting a yard sale in the parking lot at Ignacio Elementary School. You can rent space for \$15. All the profits from your sales are yours. If you would like to reserve a space, please contact Deb Otten at 970-563-0661.

Red Willow to celebrate 20 years

Please join us for Red Willow Production Compa-ny's 20th Anniversary Party on Friday, May 4 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds. An authentic Louisiana Cajun boil lunch from Norton's Catering will be served with live music from Beau-Soleil. Red Willow was formed in 1992, and this year marks 20 years of continued success.

Casino to host fish and wildlife conference

The 27th annual Native American Fish and Wildlife Society Southwest Regional Conference will take place at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, July 24 – 26. This year's conference theme is "Honoring Mother Earth, Preserving Our Native Teachings, Adapting for the Future." Registration is on-site only and is \$175. Hotel rooms have been blocked at a rate of \$112 per night; to reserve, call 970-563-7777 or 888-842-4180. For more information, call Norman Jojola at 505-753-1451 or Joe Jojola at 505-563-3408.

Seeking Southern Ute, Native American elders

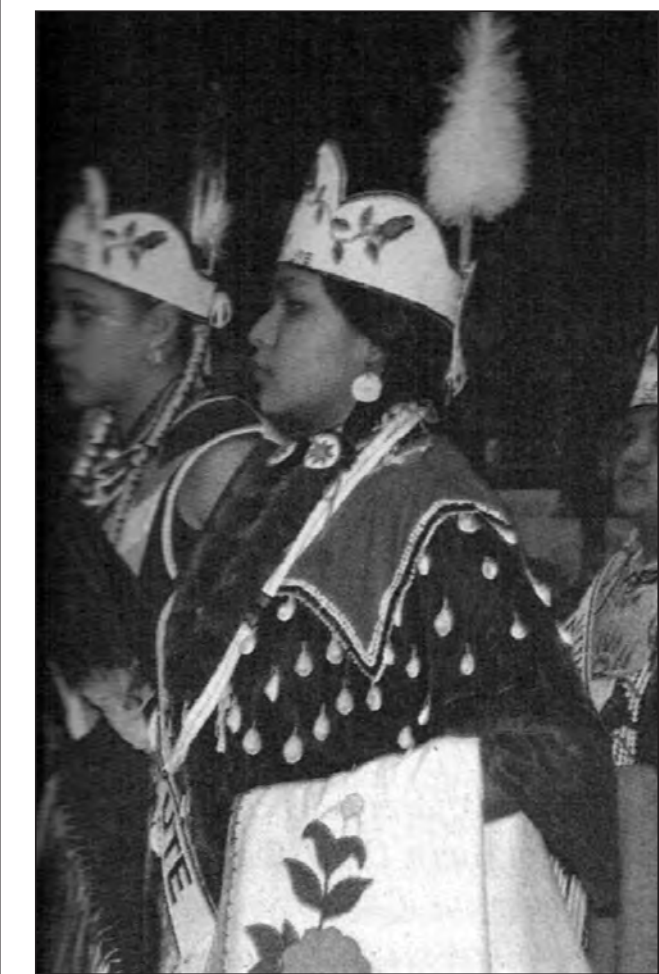
You are invited to come and share your culture and traditional expertise with the students of the South-ern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. You can choose the group size you will work with. You will be compensated with a stipend. For more information, call Georgia McKinley at 970-563-0253 ext. 2701.

DURANGO

Information sessions for adult learners

Are you ready to earn your bachelor's degree? Learn how at free informational sessions from Fort Lewis College. Sessions will cover opportunities for adult learners at FLC and explain how to enroll and apply for financial aid. Sessions are free and open to the public, and will be held every Wednesday except for the second Wednesday of each month at the Durango Public Library from 6 to 7 p.m. in Program Room 3. For more information, call 970-247-7670.

Many Moons Ago



Jim Newton/SU DRUM archives

10 years ago

Southern Ute Royalty members Daisy Frost, Lindsay Box and Katrina Naranjo were part of the grand entry during the annual Denver March Powwow. Fifty-eight drums groups participated in the year's event. Dancers from all over the United States and Canada showed their best moves in preparation for the upcoming powwow season. The Southern Ute Veterans Association also carried flags in the grand entry.

This photo first appeared in the April 5, 2002, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



A. Santistevan/SU DRUM archives

20 years ago

Southern Ute tribal elders Bertha Grove, Belle Cuthair, Jane Newton and Sunshine Smith enjoy one of the many services and activities that are offered by the Ignacio Senior Center. A mailing list was used as a handy way to keep the elders abreast of the programs and services provided. Director San Jean Ketchum hoped to organize a trip to the Anasazi Heritage Center near Dolores, Colo.

This photo first appeared in the April 4, 1992, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



photo archives/SU DRUM

30 years ago

Following the tribal flag into the arena during the Denver March Powwow at the Denver Coliseum were Samantha Pinnecoose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pinnecoose; Theres Harlan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan; Mikki Naranjo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Naranjo; and Melanie Box, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Box Jr. These young ladies also entered the Jr. Miss Indian Colorado Pageant in Denver.

This photo first appeared in the April 9, 1982, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



Attention Tribal Members and Casino Patrons !

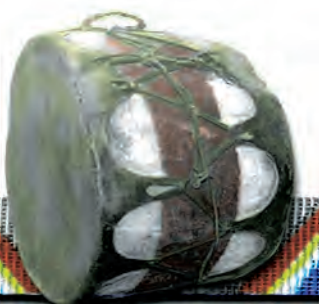
Beginning April 2nd the West Front Entrance of Sky Ute Casino will be designated as a

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For our guest safety we will begin this procedure. Emergency vehicles must be able to easily enter this area. Also we will implement additional Southern Ute Tribal Elder parking near the front outside circle of the north parking area. All additional special parking areas will be identified. If you are a Southern Ute Tribal Elder and would like to receive a special parking permit to use one of these designated areas around the casino please see the Player Center for details.

All violator's vehicles who do not have a special permit for these areas will be ticketed and towed at owners expense! If you have any questions please call the General Manager's office at 970.563.1351.

THE CASINO APPRECIATES YOUR COOPERATION



Learning to speak Ute



Southern Ute tribal elder Lynda Grove-D'Wolf goes over class notes during a Ute language lesson at the Multi-purpose Facility on Wednesday, March 21.

photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

This is your language

'ícha-'ara mæni 'apaghapi 'ura-'ay

By Tom Givón
Ute Language Program

5. The sounds and writing of Ute: More consonants *púupa-aqh núuchi pø'ø-ta-vaa-na*

In this column we will finish the description of Ute consonant sounds. With one exception, the rest of the consonants are unproblematic, since their pronunciation in Ute does not differ all that much from their pronunciation in English. We will start with the exceptional one, a sound that does not exist in English but is very important in Ute, and is often – unwisely – ignored.

/ʔ/ (glottal stop)

This consonant doesn't exist in English or Spanish, but is very common in Ute. To begin with, all words that seem to the untrained ear to begin with a vowel in fact begin with a glottal stop, as in: *'áapachi* 'boy', *'aka-gha-ræ* 'red', *'ivichi* 'stick', *'úu-pa* 'that-a-way', *'øøvi* 'bone', *'ææ* 'yes'.

In many word-medial environments, /ʔ/ is very clearly present and cannot be ignored, as in: *pagha-'ni* 'walking about', *paghay-'way* 'walking', *'ura-'ay* 'being', *pæni-'ni* 'looking' *ta'wachi* 'man'. What is more, in many cases one finds **minimal pairs**, where meaning differences depend on the presence vs. absence of the glottal stop. Thus compare:

no glottal stop	glottal stop
<i>maavi</i> 'vegetation'	<i>ma'avi</i> 'weeds'
<i>'øa-qa-ræ</i> 'yellow'	<i>'ø'a-qa-y</i> 'sneaking on'
<i>kæi</i> 'taking'	<i>kæ'i</i> 'biting'
<i>tapøni</i> 'be bound together'	<i>tapø'ni</i> 'knocking'
<i>maay</i> 'finding/seeing'	<i>ma'ay</i> 'be lost'
<i>pæi-n</i> 'I'm sleeping'	<i>pæ'i-n</i> 'my eye'

/ch/ (voiceless palatal stop)

This consonant is pronounced as its English counterpart in words such as **'church'**, **'child'**, or **'peach'**. It can be found in Ute words such as: *mamachi* 'woman', *chaqha-chi-n* 'my younger brother', *wichichi* 'bird', *wiichi* 'knife', *møchøpæ* 'facial hair', *chiuchi* 'pipe'.

/s/ (voiceless dental fricative)

This consonant is pronounced just like its English counterpart in words such as 'sit', 'masses', 'boss', 'past', or 'kiss'. It may be seen in Ute words such as: *sari-chi* 'dog', *múusa-chi* 'cat', *sá-gha-ræ* 'white', *sí-gwanachi* 'hawk', *ma-sæwæ-n* 'my finger(s)'

/m/ (labial nasal)

This Ute consonant is pronounced much like its counterpart in English. It can be seen in Ute words such as: *mama-chi* 'woman', *mú-pæ-chi* 'small', *'æmæ* 'you', *múusa-chi* 'cat', *møchøpæ* 'facial hair'.

/n/ (dental nasal)

This Ute consonant is pronounced much like its counterpart in English. It can be seen in Ute words such as: *nanapæchi* 'little old man', *'ína* 'this' (animate), *næ* 'I', *núuchi* 'person', 'Indian', 'Ute'.

/w/ (labial glide)

This Ute consonant is pronounced much like its counterpart in English. It can be seen in Ute words such as: *wá-ini* 'two' (subj.), *wúutæ* 'long time ago', *kawachi* 'frost', *mawisí-kya* '(he/she) appeared', *wiichi* 'knife'

/y/ (palatal glide)

This Ute consonant is pronounced much like its counterpart in English. It can be seen in Ute words such as: *yoghovæchi* 'coyote', *tugu-paya* 'sky', 'skyward', *yáakwi* 'disappearing', *yagha-y* 'crying', *toghoy-aqh* 'thank you', 'it is good'.

Hyphenation conventions

As we shall see in the next columns, almost all Ute words – unlike their English counterparts – are complex; that is, they are made out of multiple parts that combine together. This is true both for simple words ('dog', 'chair', 'rain') and for words that carry grammatical markers ('he gave it to them', 'they kicked him repeatedly'). Native speakers, having learned Ute words as unit 'chunks' in their childhood, are not necessarily aware of the internal structure and complexity of their words. But in teaching the language to people whose first language is not Ute, we must make the internal structure of words clear to the learners. This is part of the difference between first- and second-language acquisition. In addition, this is also useful for native speakers who would like to become literate in their first language. For these reasons, in presenting our language materials, we will often hyphenate between parts of Ute words, and sometime explain such hyphenation in the intermediate ('grammatical') glosses of Ute expressions.

Houses past and present



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Gina Preszler, a Kindergarten teacher for Needham Elementary in Durango, brought her students along with two other classes to the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on Wednesday, March 21. They are learning about houses of the past and present. Preszler said the exhibits in the museum presented good visual aids for her class to see how the Southern Utes lived.

Powwow Trails

Easter Powwow

April 6 – 8

99 Great Plains Road • Arapahoe, WY

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Contact: Northern Colorado Intertribal Powwow Assoc.

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The Kidney Corner:

Blood draws from veins in the hands

By Dr. Mark Saddler
Durango Nephrology Associates

"I have chronic kidney disease. Why does my doctor tell me to get my blood tests from a vein in my hand rather than from my arm?"

Managing chronic kidney disease unfortunately requires frequent blood tests. Since kidney function can worsen without any symptoms, it is important to check kidney function by blood testing frequently. It is also important to do blood tests intermittently for complications of CKD (for example, anemia, bone disease or acid buildup).

Generally, patients with CKD are advised to get their blood drawn from the veins in their hands rather than from the arms. This is not always popular advice, because some people feel that the hands are more sensitive to needle sticks. Also, if the blood draw leaves an unfortunate bruise, it is more visible in the hands than the arms.

However, it is still an important piece of advice in order to preserve the arm veins.

One problem with CKD is the tendency for the kidney function to worsen over time. Even people with healthy kidneys are at risk of inexorably losing kidney function, slowly but sure-



"I have chronic kidney disease.

Why does my doctor tell me to get my blood tests from a vein in my hand rather than from my arm?"

ly, over the years.

When the kidneys are diseased, this process proceeds more quickly. Medications can slow down the process of kidney function loss, but generally cannot stop it.

As physicians, our primary goal is to keep kidneys function-

ing as well as possible to avoid dialysis. But we also need to be conscious of the possibility that any patient with CKD may progress to needing dialysis at some point in their life.

The more commonly used type of dialysis, hemodialysis, is performed by creating a fistula in the arm by connecting an artery to a vein. After this connection is made, the vein needs to enlarge for the fistula to be useable for dialysis.

An experienced surgeon should do the fistula procedure for the best chance of success. But even in the best hands, a fistula may fail to develop if the veins are not of good quality. Repeated blood draws from the veins of the arms can lead to scarring and may prevent the veins from being able to develop into a good fistula.

Choosing one arm only for blood draws can help with vein preservation — the other arm could potentially be used for a future fistula procedure. However, it is sometimes difficult to predict which arm will be more suitable for a future fistula, and it's best to preserve both arms' veins if possible.

If your doctor advises you to have blood draws from the hand only, try to follow this advice if possible. The added inconvenience may be worth it in the long term.

SunUte Community Center

Holiday Closure Easter Sunday, April 8

The SunUte Community Center will be closed Easter Sunday. SunUte will re-open regular hours on Monday, April 9th at 6:00 a.m.

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SunUte Community Center

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April 13: Apple Banana Oatmeal

April 20: Beach Boy Omelet

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Ignacio High School 3rd Quarter Honor Roll – 2011-2012

Seniors

- 5.0 Abeth Okall
- 4.0 Carly Barborinas, Brittney Benavidez, Kelsey Frost, Mackenzie Macklin, Dusty Mangus, Shane Richmond
- 3.5 Teagan Overturf, Alex Pena
- 3.3 Kashina Perry, Rebecca Phillips
- 3.1 Layla Hessler
- 3.0 Christian Rockwell, Troy Shepherd, Natelle Thompson, Shawnara Troup, Lacey Wade

Juniors

- 4.0 Salome Niggli, Breana Talamante-Benavidez, Nicole Williams
- 3.8 Kayla Knipp, Tristany Valencia
- 3.7 Mary Kate Owens, Austin Haire, David Storey, Mariah Vigil
- 3.6 Samantha Brown, Taylor Smith, Isiah Tucson, Courtney Valdez, Cecilia Yocum
- 3.5 Barbie Lujan, Christopher McDonald, Christopher Russell, Alexandria Troup
- 3.3 Jordan Cuthair, Kiersten Raby, Michelle Simmons
- 3.2 LaDonna Garcia
- 3.0 Tracy Bean, Pamela Cotton, DaShon Lloyd

Sophomores

- 4.0 Christian Knoll, Shannon Mestas, Kelton Richmond, Jayce Stricherz, Rebecca Ward
- 3.8 Justin Carver
- 3.7 David Baca, Clayton Jefferson
- 3.6 Malli Benavidez, Raelynn Torres
- 3.5 Jeannie Grossardt, Thomas McPherson, Cloe Seibel
- 3.3 Jacob Candelaria, Adam Herrea
- 3.2 Jalen Estes, Fabian Martinez
- 3.0 Cheyenne Cook, Akasia Oberly, Dylan Pearson, Buddy Perry



Freshmen

- 4.0 Tyler Riepel
- 3.6 Alicia Naranjo
- 3.5 David Cooper, Ziyu Wang
- 3.3 July Stricherz
- 3.1 Tanisha Coyote, Andreanna Phillips
- 3.0 Dynesha Drake, Adison Jones

Ignacio High School Students of the 3rd Quarter
Senior: Layla Hessler
Junior: Jordan Cuthair and Austin Haire
Sophomore: DeJa Herrera and Sam Corrado
Freshmen: Andreanna Phillips and David Cooper
Teacher of the Quarter: Mr. Jim Croal

Southern Ute Education Department Southern Ute tribal students of the month

Introducing a special recognition program for the young and talented Southern Ute students attending Ignacio public schools! The Southern Ute Education staff is looking for you! We know you are there, and we want to recognize two students a month for all their hard work and kindness given to others. Check the Drum each month and listen to KSUT for the announcement of the next honored students as well as an interview. It could be you! Way to go!



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Lexy Young

2nd grade, Ignacio Elementary
Parents: Susan Williams and William Young Jr.
Subject strengths in school: Spelling, reading, writing and math.
Hobbies and pastimes: Jump rope, volleyball and swinging with friends.
When I grow up ... “I want to be an artist. SO my paintings will hang in museums.”
Teacher comment: Mrs. Christensen says, “She is an excellent student who always does her best.”



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Daniel Weaver

6th grade, Ignacio Intermediate School
Parents: Daniel Weaver Sr./Anna Marie Scoot and the late Walter M. Scott.
Subject strengths in school: Language arts and math.
Hobbies and pastimes: I collect action figures and play games.
When I grow up ... “I want to be a singer or a professional wrestler.”

Dorothy Gore Scholarship available

The Dorothy Gore Scholarship sponsored by PEO Chapter CS is available to any La Plata County graduating senior girl who has shown academic promise, leadership potential, serves her community and has at least a 3.0 cumulative grade-point average. This \$1000 scholarship honors Dorothy Gore, a retired, longtime Durango teacher. Although priority is given to applicants to Cottey College, all applicants to an academic college are considered. Cottey College is a two-year women's college in Nevada, Missouri, owned by the P.E.O. Sisterhood. Applications are available at high school counseling offices or by requesting a copy from PEO Chapter CS Philanthropic Committee at jeaninegae@gmail.com. The application deadline is April 16.

Showing the kids how it's done



photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

A group of local students performs traditional Native American drum songs to a young audience in the Southern Ute Montessori Head Start gym on Monday, March 26.

Elbert J. Floyd Award nominations are now being accepted

Media release

Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Nominations are now being accepted for the annual Elbert J. Floyd Award. Eligibility requirements for recipients of the Elbert J. Floyd Award are:

- A member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe
- Deserving
- A student of any age, formally enrolled in an education program, at any level, or someone planning immediate enrollment in such a program
- Interested in continuing his or her education

- Interested in serving the Tribe and the community
 - Approved by the Department of Education
- An eligible recipient need not be living on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation at time of the nomination and need be available to return to the Tribe to receive the award in person.

Any teacher, Tribal member or other interested person may submit the name of an eligible recipient for the Elbert J. Floyd Award to the Department of Education of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Nomination must be submitted

in writing to Ellen S. Baker at the Southern Ute Education Department by 4 p.m. on Friday, May 11, 2012 and shall state the basis for the nomination. For more information call Ellen at 970-563-0235 ext. 2793.

The selection of the recipient will be made by a committee of two members consisting of the Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Vice-Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

This annual award is in memory of Elbert J. Floyd and is presented by Mr. Floyd's children and grandchildren to a deserving Southern Ute Indian student.

Education update

Education announces GED test dates

The Department of Education would like to announce the GED test dates for the upcoming months: May 4 and June 1. The test is held the first Friday of every month at the Southern Ute Education Building at 330 Burns Ave. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953. Also, the Education Department has an online GED Academy classroom that is available for at home GED test preparation. Please call Donna Broad for passwords. There is a minimum time requirement each week to be allowed to use this program.

The GED test will be changing January 2014. All previous test scores will be thrown out and students will need to retake all 5 sections. It is important that students complete all 5 sections of their GED before the January 2014 date.

Education Dept. community class for April

- Dress and ribbon shirt workshop: Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m**

Participants will learn to measure, cut out and sew a simple ribbon dress, or a ribbon shirt. Participants will receive the material and the ribbons to complete your project. Participants must know how to operate a sewing machine and have basic sewing skills. For more information, and to sign up, call Luana Herrera at the Department of Education 970-563-0237.

Academy earns accreditation • from page 1

standards. At that time, the team found two issues: first, one Upper Elementary classroom was without a credentialed teacher; and second, the Primary program separated five- and six-year olds from three- and four-year-olds, falling short of a requirement that each classroom “has the appropriate three-year grouping of students.”

Following the 2009 visit, AMS's School Accreditation Commission voted to defer the academy's accreditation for two years. In the meantime, Olguin and her crew got busy training and certifying faculty and reorganizing the Primary program.

When AMS Manager of School Accreditation Sara Wilson arrived for another visit on Feb. 17, the school was ready.

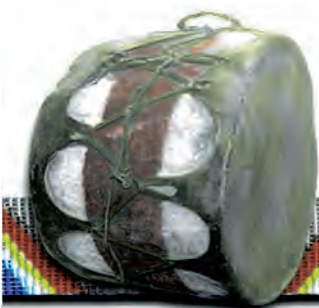
“It is abundantly clear from my observations in every classroom at all levels of [the] Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy ... and my conversations with the director, the lead guide who oversees all of the SUIMA teachers, the teachers themselves, and representatives of the Tribal Council and the Parent Advisory Group, that SUIMA is committed to the integrity of the Montessori philosophy and methodology,” Wilson wrote in

her report.

Now that the school is accredited, Olguin said she has another goal in her sights: “We have to just consistently improve in what we are doing.”

The school will be required to submit yearly reports to AMS, and every seven years it must undergo a rigorous reaccreditation process. That doesn't mean that the staff won't take a moment to celebrate today's victory, though.

“It means to me that we've met a standard of excellence that a national Montessori group recognizes,” Olguin said.



Miners move quickly against Ignacio

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

Head coach Andrew Fenity’s first halftime speech was right on the mark.

“I think that’s the best soccer we’ve played yet. I really do,” he told the Lady Bobcats at Down Valley Park near Placerville, Colo.

Save for an 18th-minute turnover forced by and ultimately converted by Telluride’s Molly Mitchell — four minutes after she headed home teammate Sonja Erickson’s perfect crossing pass to the back post — and a Jessi Solomon score (ricocheting off Ignacio’s Shawni Troup, and away from ready goalkeeper Nicole Williams) in the 35th, IHS’s development to date was visible on Friday, March 30.

And it had held a potent THS roster — minus injured standout Sarah Wontrobski — to essentially just two goals, which little could be done to prevent. One was Mitchell’s hat-trick strike in the 20th; the other stood up to be the match winner, courtesy Kealey Zaumseil in the fourth minute.

Having finished 10th nationally in Dual Moguls skiing a weekend earlier at the 2012 Sprint U.S. Freestyle Championships in Vermont, the highly regarded freshman’s other boots then created and cashed the Lady Miners’ most important goal of the 3A Southwestern League doubleheader.

Likely aware that Ignacio, save for Solomon’s good fortune, had blanked Telluride for a solid 15-minute stretch (the two matches were played with 35-minute halves, rather than the usual 40s) going into intermission, Zaumseil restarted her team’s motor with a goal in the 38th that Williams could not control.

Another highlight-reel header, provided by Toni Hill off a Solomon corner kick, followed six minutes later, and an IHS own-goal in the 51st — under pressure from an Erin Pihl corner, THS’s sixteenth already in the contest — gave the Lady Miners an 8-0 lead.



photo Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio’s Destinee Lucero (17) leaps to trap a ball as Telluride’s Toni Hill (7) watches during 3A Southwestern League action at Down Valley Park on March 30.

Julia Stanfield’s penalty kick in the 56th made the score 9-0, and Pihl netted a relatively easy 10th in the 58th.

Having surrendered an alarming 18 corners total, Ignacio’s adjustments paid off in Match 2 as Telluride generated just eight. But frustrations boiled over in the 21st when Mitchell was mashed by a Shannon Mestas shoulder. Allowing action to continue in front of an appalled Hill, the referees did IHS a favor by keeping their cards pocketed.

A yellow was eventually given, but fortunately not for brutal play; Ignacio’s Jasmine Red was booked before the second-half kickoff for wearing jewelry onto the field.

And despite regular rotation of his personnel, plus another goalie switch — Emma Walker-Silverman had initially replaced Match 1 netminder Brooke Kama, and was herself replaced for the second half of Match 2 by Maddie Johnson — Telluride assistant Leondra Peralta was unable to indirectly aid the visitors in getting a goal. Or at least a legit scoring chance.

Taking set-up touches from

Zaumseil and Mitchell, Hill side-footed in a 54th-minute goal from close range to officially end the afternoon, a minute after reserve Sarah Barr shoved in an unexpected score.

Williams, working the full elapsed 112 minutes, finished with 20 total saves as THS (7-1-1, 5-1-1 SWL) fired 54 total shots into the air (37 on net), opposed by Ignacio’s three.

Following Spring Break, the Lady Bobcats (0-4, 0-4) return April 10 (4 p.m., IHS Field) against Center, Ignacio’s first of four slated league matches within a week.

SCORING SUMMARY:

Match 1 — Zaumseil, T (assist Ryan Hanley) 4; Mitchell, T (Erickson) 14; Mitchell 18; Mitchell 20; Solomon, T 35; Zaumseil 38; Hill, T (Solomon) 44; Ignacio own-goal 51; Stanfield, T [PK] 56; Pihl, T 58.

Match 2—Hanley (Karla Rodriguez, Erickson) 3; Stanfield [PK] 11; Hanley 17; Zaumseil (Hill) 19; Rodriguez 28; Mitchell (Brooke Kama) 45; Hanley 46; Hill 48; Barr, T (Mitchell) 53; Hill (Zaumseil, Mitchell) 54.



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Ignacio’s Elco Garcia (black trunks) has a lock on where he wants to wallop Antonio Mesquita during the final bout of “March Mayhem” on March 24 inside the Sky Ute Casino Resort’s Events Center. Garcia went on to win by unanimous decision after 10 rounds.

G-men get their men at ‘Mayhem’

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

For all their repeated head gestures of disagreement with referee Stephen Blea, reasons for Antonio Mesquita’s and Bernardo Guereca’s defeats couldn’t have been any clearer as they exited.

Las Vegas’ Mesquita huffed out a couple pitiful protest laps inside the ropes, apparently not acknowledging the massive bloodstain (from an ear still trickling down his torso) down the left leg of his trunks. Guereca, of El Paso, Texas, gave his mouthpiece a few swift kicks along the mat back to his corner.

And if all that wasn’t telltale enough, the gents’ showings in the ring during the co-main bouts didn’t help their cases at “March Mayhem” inside Sky Ute Casino Resort’s Events Center Saturday, March 24.

After hanging fairly close through three rounds at 160 with Ignacio’s Elco Garcia, Mesquita made the mistake of calling “The Animal” out late in Round 4 of the night’s grand finale. Garcia landed a solid hook late, to which Mesquita tapped his jaw with his own mitts as if to say “Didn’t hurt.” Looking annoyed but amused, Garcia went straight at that jaw with a left/right combo just before the bell.

“I like to always go forward,” said Garcia of the incident, “and I couldn’t let him intimidate me.”

As claret began leaking seriously in Round 6, Mesquita, to his credit, fought on well enough to connect on several flush blows, including a sweeping right late in the eighth. But warned too often to keep his head up and cease his frequent clinching, as well as sustaining a stern pounding, Mesquita was simply too far behind after the full 10

rounds to hope for the decision.

It went to Garcia (26-8, 12 KO), 99-91, 97-93 and 98-92, incensing Mesquita (35-3, 27 KO) to a level where cornerman/Ignacio frequenter Layla McCarter (34-13-5, 7 KO) helped smooth things over.

“I knew he was a tough fighter, had a good record and everything,” Garcia said, noting that Mesquita’s last loss was hastened by an injured shoulder rather than his opponent. “He got me with some good shots, but I just can’t let anybody back me up. Know what I mean?”

About the only thing Garcia wasn’t pumped about, in contrast to Gomez, was his preparation.

“I wasn’t happy with this fight,” he said. “It was a good opportunity for me, and I’m going to train even harder and go forward from here. I can do better; I’m already back in the gym, running again.”

“I want to also thank Byron Frost,” he added, “and Etta Frost ... I appreciate all their support.”

Clashing for a third time against Guereca, New Mexico’s “Ironman” Joe Gomez wasted little time softening his opponent, scoring a knockdown inside the last ten ticks of Round 1, then pressing Blea into giving Guereca a standing-eight early in Round 2 en route to a unanimous (79-69, 78-71, 79-70) verdict after eight rounds at the middleweight limit of 160 pounds.

“That was my main plan,” Gomez said, recalling a defeat previously dealt him via judges’ scorecards favoring Guereca. “We were going for a knockout, and a knockout only. That’s what I wanted; wish that knockdown had come 30, 40 seconds before, you know?”

Now 2-1 versus the Texan, Gomez climbed to 18-5-1 (8 KO) as Guereca sank to 16-14-1 (3 KO).

“He told me I’m one of the hardest he’s ever fought,” Gomez remembered from the pair’s centering hug after duo’s battle, “and I also told him that style-wise, he’s one of the best I’ve ever fought.”

Landing possibly the two hardest left hooks seen all night, Colorado Springs-based rookie Jeremy Ramos improved to 1-0 after a TKO (at 0:49 of Round 4; four rounds scheduled) over Towaoc’s Zamir Young (0-2) at a super-middleweight 162 pounds.

Sporting old-school black trunks, with a face and hairdo resembling the portrayal of Max Baer in “Cinderella Man,” Colorado Springs heavyweight Juan Ramos (1-0) downed Towaoc’s Jerome Lopez (0-1) in Round 2 of their four-rounder, en route to a TKO 0:47 into Round 3.

Razzed by comical “Banana!” shouts, referring to his yellow/gold trunks and boots, Farmington super-middleweight Grant John (1-0) peeled Albuquerque’s Omar Quevedo apart in a unanimous 40-35, 40-35, 40-35 win at 165. Quevedo (0-1) had a point deducted for an inability to retain his mouthguard.

The pros’ card got underway fine enough, but despite throwing big during Rounds 3 and 4, Albuquerque’s Eric Gonzalez was unable to sway the three wise men at ringside against Farmington’s Andre Harrison at 124. Both featherweights saw their records dip to respective 1-0-1 figures after the four most depressing words in the game were verbalized: “We have a draw!”

The following bouts were scratched: Chavira Jack (Farmington, N.M.; 1-0-1) vs. Desiree Duran (Albuquerque; 0-0), 4 at 130, and Jazzma Hogue (Farmington; 2-0) vs. David Yanez (Las Vegas; 1-2-1), 4 at 124.

Amateurs set off ‘Mayhem’

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

Standing inside the ropes alongside Sky Ute Casino Resort Marketing Director Ben Fernandez, trainer/cornerman George Manzanares couldn’t help but grin as Fernandez reminded the fans of his exploits in boxing, including a Daily Point of Light Award given in 2000.

His grin spread after seeing the completion of the first amateur card preceding a pro slate in Ignacio in quite some time, pairing 20 young fighters in 10 bouts at “March Mayhem” on Saturday, March 24.

And of five youngsters wearing the George’s Independent Boxing Club blue-and-white, two

claimed victory, doing justice to one of the listed “traits” of a DPOL recipient: “Likes to see others do well. They measure their own success largely by the achievements of others.”

In Bout 3, Daniel Silva won by decision over fellow GIBC member Mike Archuleta at 95 pounds, avenging 60-pounder Joseph Garcia’s card-opening loss to Morris Boxing’s Matayo Tillahash.

Antonio Ponce, recently of Kansas-based Bad Boyz Boxing, defeated GIBC’s Phillip Greenie at 240 pounds in Bout 4, but Donovan Villarial won the judges over at 132 pounds against New Mexico-based 11th Street’s Marcos Martinez in Bout 7.

Young Allen Garcia of Kansas-

based Los Lobos Boxing topped New Mexico-based Martinez Boxing’s Matthew Reyes at 65 pounds in Bout 2, but teammate Hector Trinidad fell at 130 to Martinez’s Adan Reyes in Bout #5. And LLBC took another blow to its pride when National Silver Gloves Champion Deyanina Hernandez was upset by Martinez’s Jennifer Mendoza at 110 pounds in Bout 6.

Zach Jacquez defeated Aaron Perez at 105 in Bout 8, but sister Dacia Jacquez lost to Martinez’s Nattie Martinez at 118 pounds a bout later. And Martinez’s Bryan Martinez finished off a good afternoon for the red-and-black with a win over 11th Street’s Jose Atencio at 115 pounds in Bout 10.

Hayes-ing rites: IHS runs well

By Joel Priest
Special to the Drum

A hallmark of successful small-town prep athletics is the athletes’ versatility.

Having gone all-out one last time in both football and wrestling, Ignacio senior Jeff Herrera passed the time on an idle baseball weekend by donning a Bobcat track-and-field uniform and helping IHS win the 800-meter relay at last weekend’s Harry J. Hayes Invitational in Bloomfield, N.M.

A 1-2 result in the discus — senior Shane Richmond slinging it 122 feet and classmate Colton Wyatt right behind at 119 — helped the boys’ team amass 54 points, good for a share (with Dulce, N.M.) of third place. The hosting 4A Bobcats won easily with 150, well clear of second-place Bayfield, which registered 91. 2A East Mountain (Sandia Park, N.M.) rounded out the top five with 31 points.

2A Jemez Valley (Jemez Pueblo, N.M.) was sixth with 30, followed by 2A Newcomb, N.M. (14), 2A Cuba, N.M. (8), and 1A

Tse Yi Gai (Cuba, N.M.; 6 pts.).

One of Herrera’s teammates on the 4x2, senior Dusty Mangus, enjoyed a solid day with a winning pole vault of 11-foot-6 and a fourth in the open 200. In that event, he trailed sophomore Adam Herrera, winner of the sprint as well as the open 100, the aforementioned 4x2, and the long jump for good measure.

Senior Teagan Overturf completed Ignacio’s baton bunch, with Richmond earning IHS — which began the season at the March 17 Bloomfield Quadrangular — more points with his fifth-place shot-put finish.

A Lady Bobcat roster counting just four individuals managed to total 14 points, six ahead of Tse Yi Gai, and take seventh place. Bloomfield again outdistanced 3A Bayfield for first, 135-77, with 2A Dulce (71) finishing third. Cuba (61), Jemez Valley (42), and EMHS (30) ran 4-5-6.

Freshman Sky Cotton led the way with runner-up times in the 100 and 200 dashes, and also placed fifth in the long jump. Sophomore Cloe Seibel ran second in the 400 meters, and

backed it up with a third in the 800-meter run.

Up next for IHS, with State-qualifying pressure added, will be the Pine River Invitational at Bayfield’s Wolverine Country Stadium on April 14 at 9 a.m.

The Bobcats made their first attempts at qualifying for State the weekend before Bloomfield, at the March 23 Montezuma-Cortez Invitational. Ignacio’s boys totaled 74 points and finished fourth out of 11 scoring squads, while the girls’ 46 tied them with 3A Monte Vista for fifth.

The host 4A Panthers swept the team titles, with the boys racking up 123 points and the girls 130.

Individual winners for Ignacio were Richmond in the discus (125 feet, 2 inches), Adam Herrera in the long jump (19 feet, 10.75 inches) and the 400 (51.91 seconds), and Michelle Simmons in the high jump (5 feet, 2 inches) and 200 (27.88 seconds).

Simmons nearly did the 100/200 double, but was beat by Dolores’ Lexi Atkinson by eight-hundreths (13.53 seconds to 13.61) of a tick in the shorter sprint.

Baseball: 2A/1A San Juan Basin League

Team	OVERALL			SJBL	
	W	L	Pct.	W	L
Nucla	1	3	.250	0	0
IGNACIO	1	4	.200	0	0
Dove Creek	1	4	.200	0	0
Dolores	1	6	.143	0	0

—compiled by Joel Priest

Girls' Soccer: 3A Southwestern League

Team	OVERALL				SWL		
	W	L	T	Pct.	W	L	T
Bayfield	4	0	0	1.000	4	0	0
Telluride	7	1	1	.778	5	1	1
Alamosa	5	1	1	.714	3	1	1
Ridgway	2	1	0	.667	2	1	0
Pagosa Spgs.	1	3	0	.250	1	3	0
IGNACIO	0	4	0	.000	0	4	0
Center	0	6	0	.000	0	5	0

All-State Wrestling Alex Pena	All-Conference-Boys’ Basketball 1st Team: Shane Richmond Adison Jones Clayton Jefferson Xavier Watts	All-Region Team Shane Richmond Clayton Jefferson
Player of the Year Shane Richmond		All-State Shane Richmond
Coach of the Year Chris Valdez		Congratulations Bobcats!



Fishing the springtime tailwaters

By Don Oliver
Special to the Drum

It's springtime. Accessibility to the high country is still very iffy. The rivers at lower elevations have taken on the color of chocolate milk. And the new fly rod that was a Christmas gift has cobwebs growing on it. What is a dedicated fly-fisherman to do?

Well, if you're one of those that has a "poor me" attitude, there a couple of options. You could cast your fly into some of the really deep potholes that are beginning to appear. Or how about filling some youngster's wading pool, stocking it with goldfish, and trying to make a gentle presentation from behind a row of hedges?

If none of those ideas sound exiting, let me tell you what I do: I fly-fish tailwaters. For those of you not familiar with fly-fishing terms, tailwater is water that is released from a lake at the bottom of a dam. The most famous tailwater in this area is the San Juan River, below Navajo Dam.

However, I suggest you try two other tailwaters: the Dolores River below McPhee Reservoir and Williams Creek below Williams Reservoir are two of the places I like to head at this time of year.

Years ago, the Dolores River below McPhee was an incredible fishery. There were big brown trout to be had on dry flies, and almost nobody fished it. There were days when I drove the entire length of the river, 12 miles, and did not see another living soul.



About seven years ago, the cubic-foot release from the dam dropped dramatically and the fishing went to almost zero. The river became so slow and shallow trout could not survive. It seemed a great trout fishery was lost forever.

The most famous tail-water in this area is the San Juan River, below Navajo Dam.

However, a couple of years ago I was told the Dolores was making a comeback. The flows had been increased and trout, especially just below the dam, were alive and well. It didn't take me long to go and find out for myself if the rumors were correct.

They were. Even though it may seem like a long drive — a little over an hour — it can be worth it. The flows coming from the dam are keeping the river at a good depth and temperature. And once

again, the Dolores River below McPhee is a great tailwater.

Williams Creek below Williams Reservoir is about 20 miles north of Pagosa Springs. Being so close to Pagosa Springs, you will see more fly-fishermen than on the Dolores. But don't let that discourage you. I have caught lots of trout as other fishermen looked on.

Williams Creek has not been through the evolution that the Dolores has, so it has stayed a steady fishery through the years. The closer you stay to the dam during the spring run-off, the better the fishing should be. As you wander farther downstream, the water will cloud up, and the flows will begin to increase with other tributaries emptying into the river.

On both rivers, the fish should be hungry after their winter vacation. I like to use a three- or four-weight rod. Being the dry fly fanatic that I am, I'll always start with dries. If there are no bugs in the air or on the water to imitate, I'll use attractors.

A size-16 Royal Wulff is my favorite. If that fly is ignored, I'll try a Beetle before going subsurface. Once I make the decision to go underwater, my favorite fly is a Wooly Bugger. If those don't catch trout in the spring on those two rivers, I'll just sit down and smoke a cigar. By the time the cigar is smoked, the trout are ready to bite. I promise.

There you have it: My cure to a shortage of fishable moving water during the spring. It's worked for me for long time. I hope it works for you.

Who am I?

Exploring man's purpose of existance

By Tim Yaw
Nuuciu Bible Baptist Church

Hello friends! After months of investigation, we have reasonably proven God as being the external source of genuine love who wants to share his love with us and through us to others, thus answering our original question of how humans can live peacefully with each other.

In proving this sacrificial love, we first had to examine our existence, an investigation that proved we are created beings and our creator is named God. We then saw that the real person is not our bodily flesh; rather, we are living souls comprised of emotions, wills and desires. The body simply manifests these emotions, wills and desires.

Evidence then revealed that when the physical body ceases to exist, the soul continues to live, in a conscious state, to dwell forever in one of two realms of existence. These existences are determined as to whether the soul is reconciled to God or separated from God.

The two existences are called Heaven and Hell. There is no in-between realm. Remember, these realms are forever and once entered, no change can be made!

Through past evidence, we answered the three universal questions of mankind: Who am I? What is my purpose in this existence? Where am I going when my body dies?

We proved previously that our reason for existence is to glorify God, since he is our creator. So then, why does everyone not glorify God? You remember: Our love of ourselves hinders us from putting God or anyone else before us. We called it pride and proved that pride is sin; as matter of fact, pride is the root cause of all sinful acts.

So it appears that the crucial period of our existence centers on the here and now; our purpose. Let's see how God, due to his great love and mercy for us, orchestrates the purpose for our existence in order to bring us into his desired relationship with mankind.

The sin that separates humans

from God, pride, leads to eternal separation from him — Hell. Our continuing investigation revealed that there is only one standard set by God that reconciles humans to him.

That standard is a heartfelt belief that Jesus Christ, the God-man, 100-percent human and 100-percent God, and sinless during his mission on earth, took the sin of the world on himself and died in that sin; thus paying the penalty for us that condemned us to Hell.

We previously examined the standard of belief in Jesus Christ set by God as the only way to reconciliation. Let us now explore God's part and our part in bringing this heartfelt belief of Jesus' atonement for our sin to fruition.

The key word here is "heartfelt," which has the meaning of genuineness. A heartfelt belief goes a step further than simply believing in something or someone. This step beyond enters into having faith in something or someone, which adds reliance and trust to belief. So belief and faith are not the same thing.

Webster's dictionary defines belief as "An opinion, expectation or judgment." Belief is an internal, or self-formed, opinion in expectation of self-satisfaction, and is based on pride. In other words, self-satisfaction determines what a person believes or does not believe.

Faith, on the other hand, is defined as an unquestioning belief that does not require physical proof or evidence. Thus, faith must come from an external source outside a person, eliminating the self-satisfying desire.

When one is not seeking selfish gain for himself, his mind is open to reason and logic. This is exactly what we have done through our reasonable examination of God. We have seen him clearly by using reason and logic!

To understand the difference between belief and faith, let's look at these verses from God's word, the Holy Bible: "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — not by works, so that no

one can boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9).

What God is saying here is that we have been saved through his grace because of his love, and that God has given the believer the faith to have the heartfelt belief needed for reconciliation. This faith comes from God, which is not the simple opinion, expectation or judgment of belief as we defined above.

God, through his Holy Spirit, acts on people's souls by pointing out their shortcomings and comparing them to the purity and holiness of God. This is when a person sees himself as unrighteous in the eyes of God and believes that a change must be made.

When this belief of the need to change is confessed to God, he accepts the confession and empowers the person with the faith to go further. This faith is matured through the gaining of knowledge and understanding of God.

God orchestrates the growth of faith when he knows the belief and desire to change is heartfelt in the person. In other words, the initial information given by the Holy Spirit brings one to the belief that there is a standard to be met, and as the person moves in God's direction, he or she is allotted faith because God has given spiritual evidence and proof of his existence by revealing his love to the person.

Now you see how the gift of salvation, or reconciliation with God, is administered through God-given faith! It is not of us or of our own effort. If it were possible to reconcile sin with God through our good works and actions, then Jesus would not have needed to die in our place.

God could have just wiped his hands clean of his human race, but because of his great sacrificial love for us, he manifested himself in human form to pay our debt for us. On top of that, this act is a gift from God: a gift that is unmerited and unearned.

Listen, brothers and sisters: This gift from God is free for the asking. If you are sincerely willing, God will give you the faith to believe in him! Do not take only my words; ask God to prove it to you by seeking out this truth through prayer.

StarWheels

Horoscopes by "The Starlady"

ARIES (March 21–April 20)
BIRTHDAY WISHES ARIES! The SUN shines brightly in your sign this month warning you with confidence, and firing up your ambitions. As an added benefit your new Solar Year begins on a high note with generous JUPITER expanding the money section of your chart. Be resourceful RAMS ... sell items you no longer want, and smile all the way to the bank. This is the month to be noticed. Make use of that famous ARIES expertise. It's a great time to showcase your creative talents, and leadership abilities.

TAURUS (April 21–May 21)
Spring cleaning might take on a whole new meaning for you this month. More than likely many Taurus folks will be clearing away the remnants of an old cycle before embarking on a fresher course later this month. Much like cleaning out a closet, you could find yourself finally letting go of old ideas, and fixed opinions. Be especially cooperative on the 15th when the SUN and SATURN may coerce you into taking a challenging viewpoint with co-workers.

GEMINI (May 21–June 21)
Lovely VENUS enters your sign on the 3rd ... just in time for a much needed breath of fresh air. No doubt there will be a new spring in your step, along with a compelling desire to look your best. But it's your legendary charm that will once again be attracting the opposite sex. Your youthful personality and gift of gab generally opens doors for you GEMINI. Meetings with others could bring positive results.

CANCER (June 22–July 22)
Good News MOON KIDS! You have a chance to be at the top of your game this month. With the SUN and URANUS high in your chart, recognition and rewards may be forthcoming. Put some effort into your endeavors and fix your sights on future goals. The NEW MOON on the 21st awakens hopes and dreams. As an added benefit MERCURY arises from its slumber on the 4th, just in time to mentally guide you closer to your objectives. Listen to your intuition. Don't let your shy reputation keep you from achieving your intentions. Be daring MOON KIDS!

LEO (July 23–Aug. 22)
A HOT combination, namely the SUN in fiery ARIES ignites a yearning to broaden your horizons. Before you hop in the car, or board a plane in search of adventure, see that current projects are completed. MERCURY the travel planet begins its forward movement on the 4th encouraging expansive ideas. The friendly FULL MOON on the 6th illuminates interesting travel destinations, but SATURN'S influence in the same section of your chart requires responsibility in your daily affairs. Take extra time to plan Lions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23–Sept. 23)
In the grand scheme of things, APRIL'S forecast may not be as accommodating as you would like. Best to be as diligent and thorough as you can with tax matters. Known for your reliability, your responsible actions may be rewarded with a nice refund, or some other type of wind-fall. If it's applicable, joint finances could use a little tweaking. Be resourceful with spending VIRGO. The bottom line is clear ... MARS in your sign awakens on the 13th and gives you a green light to move forward with personal plans. Rely on your no-nonsense talents to steer you in a favorable direction.

LIBRA (Sept. 24–Oct. 23)
Peaceful coexistence with a partner is key for the month of APRIL. Communication and understanding will help. It's important to be especially objective on the 15th when SATURN (currently in your sign) steps into a repressive stance opposite the SUN. Not to worry LIBRA, it moves away quickly. Try to avoid petty differences with a loved one. VENUS your ruling planet shines brightly in the sky and tempts your sense of adventure and travel.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24–Nov. 22)
APRIL'S planetary action puts the emphasis on work and employment. Perseverance is your best ally, just forge ahead SCORPIO and do what needs to be done. The SUN and URANUS have your back and will do wonders for your confidence. Try to revise negative health habits, and turn destructive habits into positive ones. A powerful NEW MOON in your opposite sign of TAURUS transfers your attention to partnership matters. Watch out single Scorpions ... this could mean the beginning of a romance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23–Dec. 21)
Relax Saggies ... APRIL'S planetary pattern indicates that it will be a favorable month to participate in more playful pursuits. A love of freedom is usually at the base of whatever you do, and this month social affairs, leisure interests, and creativity, are all on your, "do what you want list". Time spent with loved ones is always time well spent. Explore your spiritual beliefs on the 1st and the 8th, and involve the family. Just be sure to set aside time for some serious EASTER EGG hunts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22–Jan. 20)
PLUTO the power planet slams on the brakes when it turns retrograde on the 10th. Because PLUTO is currently in your sign it may help you to relax a little and slow your daily pace. Domestic matters could turn your attention to family concerns. The good news is that MERCURY comes out of hibernation on the 4th and impels you to move in a brighter direction. A gentle approach is best when dealing with parents and elders this month. Neglected household chores can now be completed with ease.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21–Feb. 19)
Activities with relatives and siblings pick up as the SUN, followed later by MERCURY on the 16th, enter the communication area of your chart. Easter family gatherings are likely to be filled with love, laughter, and Jelly Beans too! Furthermore visiting relatives from out of town will be adding to the festivities. But that's not all folks ... fun-loving VENUS in the playful sign of GEMINI brings out the kid in you. Go and play AQUARIANS, it's written in the STARS!

PISCES (Feb. 20–March 20)
MERCURY'S backward dance in your sign may have prevented you from taking action to improve your finances. It's OK Little Fishes, MERCURY moves forward on the 4th and rouses your desire for advancement. A light hearted energy comes rolling in on the 16th. Gone are the lethargic days of the past month as they are replaced by the high-powered ambition of ARIES. Have faith in yourself PISCES. There's no guaranteed formula for success. But you DO need to take some type of action!

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Chris Herman puts the finishing touches on a state-of-the-art ventilation system that will pull radon gas from the lower levels of the Cuthair home in Oxford. The fans are controlled from a sensor that is located in the building's interior wall. The system has a relatively low visual impact, venting any toxic fumes outside and above the roofline.

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Capitol installs tribal flags



Dignitaries from the Colorado state government and the Ute tribes gathered on Thursday, March 22 in the halls of the state Capitol for a historic flag ceremony. The state is keeping the flags of the Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute tribes on display outside Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia's office in recognition of their sovereign governments. Guest speakers included Howard D. Richards Sr., Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council member and former chairman; Ernest House Jr., executive secretary of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs; and Gov. John Hickenlooper. Hickenlooper took a few moments following the ceremony to greet members of Southern Ute Royalty and the Tribal Council. Southern Ute elder Austin Box was among the veterans honored with bringing the flags into the Capitol.



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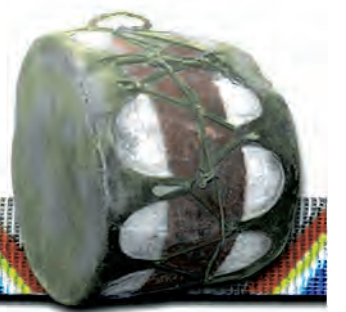
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Sharing wisdom



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Southern Ute tribal elder Ray Frost discusses Ute traditions with a group of elders during a Wednesday, March 21 gathering at the Multi-purpose Facility.



Hozhoni Days Powwow rocks the Fort



The annual Hozhoni Days Powwow graced Fort Lewis College for the 48th year on the weekend of March 30-31. Warm weather and the imminent spring season ushered in dancers from across the region and as far reaching as Idaho and Arizona. Organized and orchestrated by the FLC's Wanbli Ota student group, the powwow culminates with the crowning of a student as Miss Hozhoni. This year, the honor went to Sunshine Perry. The powwow is held annually in the Whalen Gymnasium.



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Southern Ute Water Treatment Plant annual drinking water quality report

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OVERVIEW

We are pleased to present our Annual Water Quality Report. Our goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. This report contains information about our water quality for the last calendar year.

WATER SOURCE

The Pine River is the source of the water treated at the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Water Treatment Plant. At the time of this publication, Vallecito Reservoir is expected to stay full throughout the coming irrigation season and should again provide us with excellent water. The high quality river water and our modern Water Treatment Plant will assure very high quality water to all of our customers.

EPA REQUIRED TESTING

The Tribe's Water Treatment Plant routinely tests for contaminants in your drinking water in accordance with Federal and State laws. These tests are required by the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) for any public drinking water supply. The tests are very thorough and cover most natural and man-made pollutant including: bacteriological tests for spores like Giardia Lamblia; tests for radioactive contaminants from natural soil deposits; inorganic contaminant tests for metals; synthetic organic contaminant tests for herbicides and pesticides; and volatile organic contaminant tests for man-made chemicals such as gasoline and solvents.

The attached table shows the results of the Utilities Division's monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2011. We are proud to announce again this year that the water from our Water Plant is very safe and has continued its long-standing record of zero violations of the EPA's quality requirements since 1985. Please look at the third column on the table below. The letter "N" means that we had no violations for the tests.

VOLUNTARY FLUORIDE PROGRAM

Not only is our water safe but it also contains the minimum amount of fluoride needed to reduce dental cavities. Fluoride makes teeth cavity resistant, especially in young children. This is an added cost of about \$4,000 per year to the Tribe.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The following list provides terms, abbreviations and definitions used in the table (see page 11):

Non-Detects (ND) – laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

P/A – presence or absence of coliform bacteria.
Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) – one ppm corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter – one ppb corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10 Million.

Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanograms/l) – one ppt corresponds to one minute in 2 Million years, or a single penny in \$10 Billion.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (picograms/l) – one ppq corresponds to one minute in 2 Billion years or one penny in \$10 Trillion.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) – a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Million Fibers per Liter (MFL) – measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) – units used to measure water clarity. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Action Level – the concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) – (mandatory language) this is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) – (mandatory language) the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) – (mandatory language) the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT DRINKING WATER

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by naturally occurring or man-made constituents. Those constituents can be microbes, organic or inorganic chemicals, or radioactive materials. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Nitrate: Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels

may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, and detected nitrate levels are above 5 ppm, you should ask advice from your health care provider. The Tribe's Nitrate level tested at 0.1 parts per million. You do not need to worry about Nitrate in the water received from the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Lead: If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Southern Ute Water Treatment is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your drinking water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is avail-

able from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Immuno-compromised persons: Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general public. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV-AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk of infections. These people should seek advice from their health care providers about drinking water

More specific information: EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe drinking Water Hotline above.

Please call Hayes Briskey or Kelly Jesse at our Utilities Office at (970) 563-5500 if you have any questions about your domestic water or our operation. We can provide tours for individuals or groups (school classes) who would like to understand more about our water system.



Southern Ute Youth Turkey Hunt April 28-29, 2012

The Southern Ute Wildlife Division and National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) are sponsoring a Youth Turkey Hunt on Tribal lands on April 28th and 29th, 2012. Our goal is to educate and encourage Tribal Member youth about hunting and outdoor activities on the Reservation. The Hunt will be filmed and broadcast on NWTf's Turkey Call television show.



Requirements:

- ✓ 12 to 17 years old (after April 28th 1995 and before April 28th 2000)
- ✓ Passed Hunter Education
- ✓ Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member

In addition, the Wildlife Division is interested in recruiting experienced adult Tribal Member turkey hunters to serve as mentors for the youth hunters.

Please contact the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at (970) 563-0130 for more information, to register, or volunteer.

2012 LAKE CAPOTE RECREATION AREA SCHEDULE & FEES



398 HWY 151
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LAKE CAPOTE OPERATING SCHEDULE

Opening Day: April 12th, 2012

Initially, the Lake will operate on a 4 day a week schedule, Thursday through Sunday, until May 6th.

The 24/7, 7 days-a-week schedule begins Thursday, May 10th, 2012.

Gates will be open 24/7 until September 2nd.

September 6th through October 8th, Lake Capote will resume a Thursday through Sunday, 4 days-a-week schedule.

Closing Day: October 7th, 2012

Lake Capote is regularly stocked with rainbow trout, brown trout, largemouth bass and catfish.

Southern Ute Tribal Members receive free fishing & camping.

(Not including Derby permits & RV sites)

- New Shade Structures & Docks
- Night Fishing when advertised
- Tribal Members receive 50% off RV sites
- More food items & fishing supplies available at Bait Shop

2012 Lake Capote Permit Fees

(Fishing Bag Limit: 3 trout, 1 catfish, all fish 16" or larger and largemouth bass are catch and release only)

Adult Fishing: \$8
Youth Fishing: \$4
Derby Permit: \$13
Tent Site: \$13
RV Site (elec. & water): \$20
Day Use (1st ½ hour free): \$3

(Call for weekly RV discounts or for promotional offers to rent the entire campground for special events)

* Night fishing will also be back this summer *

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TEST RESULTS: The EPA requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. Some of our data (e.g., for organic contaminants), though representative, is more than one year old. Chemicals, which were tested for, but not detected, are included in the tables with ND in the level detected column. Although the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is regulated by the EPA, these testing requirements meet the criteria of the Colorado State Health Department.

<u>CONTAMINANT SAMPLE</u>		<u>VIOLATION LEVEL DATE</u>	<u>UNIT Y/N</u>	<u>DETECTED</u>	<u>MEASUREMENT</u>	<u>MCLG</u>	<u>MCL</u>	<u>LIKELY SOURCE OF CONTAMINATION</u>
Microbiological Contaminants								
1.	Total Coliform Bacteria	2/month	N	Absent	P/A	0	Presence of col. bacteria in 5% of monthly samples	Naturally present in the environment
2.	Fecal coliform and E.coli	N/A	N	Not tested because absent in above test	P/A	0	A routine sample and repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal coliform or E.coli positive	Human and animal fecal waste
3.	Turbidity	Percent of readings below MCLContinuous						
Radioactive Contaminants								
4.	Beta/photon emitters	11/03	N	ND	pCi/L	0	50	Decay of natural and man-made deposits
5.	Alpha emitters	11/06	N	1.44	pCi/L	0	15	Erosion of natural deposits
6.	Combined radium	Not Required			pCi/L	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits
Inorganic Contaminants								
7.	Antimony	2/05	N	<.0005	ppb	6	6	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder
8.	Arsenic	10/08	N	<.0005	ppb	0	10	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
9.	Asbestos	6/11	N	<0.12	MFL	7	7	Decay of asbestos cement water mains; erosion of natural deposits
10.	Barium	2/05	N	0.0412	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
11.	Beryllium	2/05	N	<.0005	ppb	4	4	Discharge from metal refineries and coal-burning factories; discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries
12.	Cadmium	2/05	N	<.00005	ppb	5	5	Corrosion of galvanized pipes; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints
13.	Chromium	2/05	N	<.0048	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
14.	Copper	08/09	N	0.13	ppm	1.3	AL =1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
15.	Cyanide	7/11	N	<0.005	ppb	200	200	Discharge from steel/metal factories; discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories
16.	Fluoride	5/11	N	0.75	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
17.	Lead	08/10	N	<.002	ppm	0	AL =15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
18.	Mercury (inorganic)	2/05	N	<.0002	ppb	2	2	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; runoff from landfills; runoff from cropland
19.	Nitrate / Nitrite (as Nitrogen)	8/11	N	<0.02	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
20.	Selenium	2/05	N	<.0135	ppb	50	50	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines
21.	Thallium	2/05	N	<.00005	ppb	0.5	2	Leaching from ore-processing sites; discharge from electronics, glass, and drug factories
Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides and Herbicides								
22.	2,4-D	6/11	N	<0.1	ppb	70	70	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
23.	2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	6/11	N	<0.1	ppb	50	50	Residue of banned herbicide
24.	Acrylamide	Not Required			N/A	0	TT	Added to water during sewage/wastewater treatment
25.	Alachlor	6/11	N	<0.1	ppb	0	2	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
26.	Atrazine	6/11	N	<0.1	ppb	3	3	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops
27.	Benzo(a)pyrene (PAH)	6/11	N	<0.02	nanograms/l	0	200	Leaching from linings of water storage tanks and distribution lines
28.	Carbofuran	6/11	N	<0.9	ppb	40	40	Leaching of soil fumigant used on rice and alfalfa
29.	Chlordane	6/11	N	<0.1	ppb	0	2	Residue of banned termiticide
30.	Dalapon	6/11	N	<1.0	ppb	200	200	Runoff from herbicide used on rights of way
31.	Di (2-ethylhexyl) adipate	6/11	N	<0.6	ppb	400	400	Discharge from chemical factories
32.	Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	6/11	N	<0.6	ppb	0	6	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories
33.	Dibromochloropropane	6/11	N	<0.01	ppt	0	200	Runoff/leaching from soil fumigant used on soybeans, cotton, pineapples, and orchards
34.	Dinoseb	10/5	N	<0.1	ppb	7	7	Runoff from herbicide use on soybeans and vegetables
35.	Diquat	6/11	N	<0.4	ppb	20	20	Runoff from herbicide use
36.	Dioxin [2,3,7,8-TCDD]	10/05	N	ND	ppq	0	30	Emissions from waste incineration and other combustion; discharge from chemical factories
37.	Endothall	6/11	N	<9.0	ppb	100	100	Runoff from herbicide use
38.	Endrin	6/11	N	<0.01	ppb	2	2	Residue of banned insecticide
39.	Epichlorohydrin	Not Required			N/A	0	TT	Discharge from industrial chemical factories; an impurity of some water treatment chemicals
40.	Ethylene dibromide	6/11	N	<0.01	ppt	0	50	Discharge from petroleum refineries
41.	Glyphosate	6/11	N	<6.0	ppb	700	700	Runoff from herbicide use
42.	Heptachlor	6/11	N	<.04	ppt	0	400	Residue of banned termiticide
43.	Heptachlor epoxide	6/11	N	<0.02	ppt	0	200	Breakdown of heptachlor
44.	Hexachlorobenzene	6/11	N	<.1	Ppb	0	1	Discharge from metal refineries and agricultural chemical factories
45.	Hexachlorocyclo-pentadiene	6/11	N	<.1	Ppb	50	50	Discharge from chemical factories
46.	Lindane	6/11	N	<0.02	ppt	200	200	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cattle, lumber, gardens
47.	Methoxychlor	6/11	N	<0.1	ppb	40	40	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on fruits, vegetables, alfalfa, livestock
48.	Oxamyl [Vydate]	6/11	N	<1.0	ppb	200	200	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on apples, potatoes and tomatoes
49.	PCBs [Polychlorinated biphenyls]	6/11	N	ND	ppt	0	500	Runoff from landfills; discharge of waste chemicals
50.	Pentachlorophenol	6/11	N	<0.04	ppb	0	1	Discharge from wood preserving factories
51.	Picloram	6/11	N	<0.1	ppb	500	500	Herbicide runoff
52.	Simazine	6/11	N	<0.07	ppb	4	4	Herbicide runoff
53.	Toxaphene	6/11	N	<1.0	ppb	0	3	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cotton and cattle
Volatile Organic Contaminants								
54.	Benzene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	0	5	Discharge from factories; leaching from gas storage tanks and landfills
55.	Carbon tetrachloride	6/11	N	<1	ppb	0	5	Discharge from chemical plants and other industrial activities
56.	Monochlorobenzene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	100	100	Discharge from chemical and agricultural chemical factories
57.	o-Dichlorobenzene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	600	600	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
58.	p-Dichlorobenzene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	75	75	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
59.	1,2 Dichloroethane	6/11	N	<1	ppb	0	5	Discharge from industrial chemical factories.
60.	1,1 – Dichloroethylene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	7	7	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
61.	cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	70	70	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
62.	trans – 1,2 –Dichloroethylene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	100	100	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
63.	Dichloromethane	6/11	N	<1	ppb	0	5	Discharge from pharmaceutical and chemical factories
64.	1,2-Dichloropropane	6/11	N	<1	ppb	0	5	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
65.	Ethylbenzene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	700	700	Discharge from petroleum refineries
66.	Styrene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	100	100	Discharge from rubber and plastic factories; leaching from landfills
67.	Tetrachloroethylene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	0	5	Leaching from PVC pipes; discharge from factories and dry cleaners
68.	1,2,4 –Trichlorobenzene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	70	70	Discharge from textile-finishing factories
69.	1,1,1 – Trichloroethane	6/11	N	<1	ppb	200	200	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories
70.	1,1,2 –Trichloroethane	6/11	N	<1	ppb	3	5	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
71.	Trichloroethylene	6/11	N	<1	ppb	0	5	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories
72.	TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	8/11	N	35.4	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
73.	Toluene	6/11	N	<1	ppm	1	1	Discharge from petroleum factories
74.	Vinyl Chloride	6/11	N	<1	ppb	0	2	Leaching from PVC piping; discharge from chemical factories
75.	Xylenes	6/11	N	<3	ppm	10	10	Discharge from petroleum factories; discharge from chemical factories

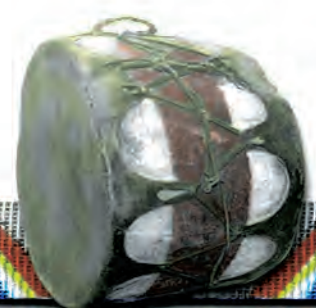
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Denver March Powwow



Denver Coliseum
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kick-starts powwow season



Dancers gathered in Denver once again for the Denver March Powwow, held annually in the Denver Coliseum. This year's gathering took place from March 23 to 25, drawing veterans and drum groups from across the country. Southern Ute Royalty made full representation, along with Jr. Miss Indian Colorado Serena Fournier, also hailing from the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Ushered in by the sound of drums, the Grand Entry filled the coliseum with energy as dancers represented their respective tribes. The Coliseum also boasts one of the largest Indian markets in the region, coinciding with the cultural event.

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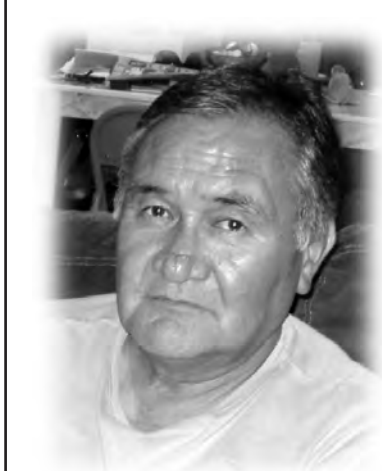
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April 6, 2012



Tribal obituaries



HOWE - Reginald William Howe, 59, died Saturday, March 24, 2012, on his land in Ignacio, Colorado. A Funeral Service was held Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility. Deacon Larry Tucker of St. Ignatius Catholic Church officiated. Burial occurred at Ouray Memorial Cemetery in Ignacio. A wake was held at the family home on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 in Ignacio CO 81137.

Mr. Howe was born October 20, 1952 in Ignacio, Colorado the son of Rudolph and Stella Howe. Mr. Howe grew up and attended schools in Ignacio. He was a gifted athlete and played every sport that was available to him. Many athletic records of his have not yet been broken to this day. He graduated from Ignacio High School in 1970 and shortly after that, he was drafted to play professional baseball with the Chicago Cubs. He declined to play with the team due to the birth of his son, Lonnie Howe. He met and married Lindy Bright they had a son, Lonnie Howe and a few years later they had a daughter Glorie Howe. He attended college in Washington state. That marriage later ended in divorce.

In the mid 1980's, he returned to the Ignacio area and began working for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. He was the Irrigation Supervisor for many, many years. He was also a reserve police officer for the Southern Ute Police department. Also in the mid 1980's he met Marie Gomez and they had a daughter, Shyida Howe. In December 1993, he and Marie were married. After working for 25 years, he retired. Retirement was not enough for the "workaholic", he went back to work for the Sky Ute Casino and resort as a shuttle driver and then worked for Hocker construction. Unbeknownst to him, the Tribe offered him to come back to work as the Irrigation Supervisor. He was a well-liked and hard worker.

Mr. Howe enjoyed his family, especially his granddaughter, Torrica. They did everything together. There were many times that they would go to the movies together and spend much time with their beloved horses. All of his grandchildren were his pride and joy, but Torrica was his companion that he adored. He extended his love to other "adopted" grandchildren as well as his nieces and nephews. He was a very caring man—always willing to help anyone and concerned for people's well beings. He was also a great cook and his family fondly recalls the best enchiladas, pot roast and meat loaf. His love of sports extended to him later in his life, he enjoyed playing golf, watching his grandchildren play sports and rooted for the Seattle Seahawks. He played the harmonica and liked listening to Metallica and Stevie Nicks. He was a Sundancer and member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

He is survived by Marie Howe (wife) of Ignacio, Shyida Howe (daughter) , Torrica Howe (granddaughter) , Neeka Ryder (granddaughter) , Glorie Johnson (daughter) of Auburn, WA, Jori Howe (granddaughter) of Auburn, WA, Florann Howe (sister) of Ignacio, Steve Burch (brother) of Ignacio, Hilda Burch (step sister) of Ignacio, six more grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews and other family members. He was preceded in death by his parents, his only son Lonnie Howe, his brothers; Gerald Howe, Rudolph Howe, and Don Howe.

Happy birthday wishes



Congratulations Sergio Howe on your 3.5 GPA!
He is one of the many who made Honor Roll for the Junior High.

We are very proud of you and we love you,
Dad, Mom, Bella, Anna, Oh and Siah!!



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Love mom



Happy Birthday to my son Freedom

I can't believe how fast you are growing and that you are a teenager now. You never give up when things become hard for you and because of that, you have accomplished so many things like skiing, surfing and soon 6th grade. I hope you know just how special you are and that I love you very much. Have a Happy Birthday DD!!

Love, Mom

Happy Birthday Freedom!!

From Mo, Ocean, Mondo, Lonso and Nesto

A Big 13th Birthday wish to you Freedom (Chaske)!

Lots of Love, Your Granny

Freedom,

Happy 13th Birthday Tajoka (grandson)!

Love, Grandma Paula

Happy Birthday Freedom!

Love, Uncle Erik and David

Freedom- Happy Birthday to an awesome nephew! Ata kili! (you are so cool)

Love, from your Auntie Lenore

Requests for quote

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE LA BOCA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES

OWNER:
Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Construction & Project Management Dept.
P.O. Box 737
116 Mouache Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
970-563-0138

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFQ for Professional Engineering Design Services for the La Boca Bridge. Responses to this RFQ will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, Colorado

81137 until 2 PM MDT, Monday, April 23, 2012. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFQ at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southern-ute.nsn.us. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian Owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Requests for bids

HEALTH AND WELLNESS POWWOW COMMITTEE CATERING SERVICES FOR HEALTH AND WELLNESS POWWOW

The Health and Wellness Powwow committee is now accepting bids for catering for the upcoming Health and Wellness Powwow, taking place Oct. 20, 2012. All bids must be turned in, in writing, by July 1, to be considered. A menu must be planned, included with the specific recipes. Catering will be planned for 500 people, for the meal break at 5 PM at the Sky Ute Fairgrounds. Preference will be given to caterers and their servers/helpers who have

food handlers certificates, or able to obtain prior to the event. Each interested caterer will be asked to turn in two bids, 1 will include set-up and clean up of all meal related items, 2 the other bid should be for cooking and food preparation only (committee and volunteers can be responsible for set up and clean up). If interested in catering this event, please call the Southern Ute Shining Mountain Diabetes program at 970-563-4741.

Requests for proposals

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE ASBESTOS REMEDIATION OF THE OLD CAFETERIA

OWNER
Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Environmental Programs Division
P.O. Box 737
116 Mouache Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
970-563-0135
Contact: Brett Francois, or Bob Kilian

Separate sealed bids to provide environmental consulting services at an EPA Brownfields site located in La Plata County will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at the Environmental Programs Division located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, CO 81137 until April 25, 2012. Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. A mandatory pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2012 at 10 a.m. in the Annex Building, 2nd Floor, 1 Conference Room, 116 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, Colorado 81137. A site visit will follow the meeting.

The Request for Proposals may be picked up at the Environmental Programs Division, 116 Mouache Drive, Ignacio, CO during the hours of 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday – Friday or you may contact Bob Kilian at 970-563-0135 or bkilian@southern-ute.nsn.us. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO code has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. A bid preference will be given to any qualified Native American owned company. To receive this preference, Native American owned businesses must be certified by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's TERO. Any Native American owned business not certified by the due date will not be given a preference. For information on certification, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

Requests for proposals

HEALTH CLINIC vs. WELLNESS CENTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND FEASIBILITY STUDY

OWNER
Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Tribal Planning Department
P. O. Box 737
116 Mouache Drive
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
(970) 563-4749

Separate sealed proposals to be received for the Health Clinic vs. Wellness Center Needs Assessment and Feasibility Study by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at the Tribal Planning Department office located at 116 Mouache Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2 PM on Friday, May 18, 2012. Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. A mandatory pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 18, 2012 at 2 PM To receive a RFP Packet contact the Tribal Planning Department at the address and/or number indicated above. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has adopted a Tribal Employment Rights Code, which provides for Indian preference in contracting and employ-

ment. To receive a copy of the Code, or for more information, contractors should contact the Southern Ute TERO Office at 970-563-0117. For the purposes of this RFP, Qualified local Indian Owned Businesses certified through Southern Ute TERO Office will receive preference in accordance with the Code. A TERO Certified Indian Owned Business will, if its initial bid is not within 5% of the lowest bid by a qualified, non-certified or non-Indian owned business, be given a single opportunity to submit a revised bid. Proof of certification as an Indian Owned Business by the Tribe's TERO Office will be required if claiming this preference. The Code will apply to all sub-contracting, if any, which may be needed in the course of this project. In addition, pursuant to the Code, the successful contractor may be required to pay a TERO fee in the amount of 2% of the total project cost. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any informality in proposals and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

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Southern Ute Growth Fund - Job Announcements

Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • 970-563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com
Tribal Member Employment Preference, Must Pass Pre-employment Drug Test & Criminal History.

Accounting Clerk

Closing date 4/7/12 – Tierra Group, LLC
Durango, CO. Provides office and clerical support to the Accounting Department. Part-time status.

Custodian

Closing date 4/9/12 – Sky Ute Fairgrounds
Ignacio, CO. Responsible for the daily cleaning of Sky Ute Fairgrounds to include but not limited to vacuums carpeted areas and offices, inspecting and cleaning spotted carpet where necessary; sweeps and cleans front and rear entrances.

Assistant Controller

Closing date 4/10/12 – Red Cedar Gathering Co.
Durango, CO. Assists in managing all accounting functions, to include but not limited to, establishing and maintaining accounting principles, practices, and procedures; managing monthly accounting tasks including AR, AP, general ledger management, and generation of financial statements.

Lease Operator II

Closing date 4/10/12 – Red Willow Production Co.
Ignacio, CO. Manages and maintains field operations to ensure that production proceeds safely and efficiently in compliance with all regulations.

Roustabout Trainee Program

Closing date 4/20/12 – Red Willow Production Co.
Ignacio, CO. The Roustabout program is an entry level opportunity teaching fundamentals from the field perspective for Southern Ute Tribal members to learn oil and gas operations The Roustabout training will last approximately 6 months and includes on-the-job training, as well as taking and passing written tests. This program is open to Southern Ute Tribal members only over the age of 18, who possess a high school diploma or GED. Please contact Maria Baker at 970-563-5066 or mbaker@sugf.com for more information on this program.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept.
P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs
Phone: 970-563-0100 • Fax: 970-563-0396 • Hotline: 970-563-4777
*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

Motor Pool Division Head Apprentice

Closing date 4/9/12 - So. Ute Tribal members only.
Position was developed in order to train a Southern Ute Tribal Member to become fully competent in all the essential duties and responsibilities of the Motor Pool Division Head. With the experience to perform: instruct service personnel on repairs, insure all work is checked and out in a timely manner. Time frame for this program is (12) months, unless there are circumstances requiring an extension or reduction. An evaluation will be performed at the completion of each time interval and at that time, any additional training requirements will be addressed. The Motor Pool Division Head will be under the direction of the Properties and Facilities Director. The paygrade for the position is 20% under Grade 20, with increments up to 5% quarterly, depending upon satisfactory evaluations.

Woodyard Secretary Apprentice

Closing date 4/9/12 - So. Ute Tribal members only.
Program is developed in order to train a Southern Ute Tribal Member to acquire the skills needed to perform the duties as Wood Yard Department Secretary, with the experience to perform reporting, scheduling, filing, and procurement. During this time Apprentice will be under the supervision of the Wood Yard Department Supervisor.

Grounds Maintenance Division Head

Closing date 4/11/12
Under general supervision of the Director of the Property and Facilities Department provides daily grounds maintenance and repair to the Tribal and BIA grounds. Pay grade 18.

Custodians (3 positions)

Closing date 4/11/12
Responsible for the daily cleaning of Southern Ute Indian tribal buildings and offices. Pay grade 12.

Administrative Assistant-MIS

Closing date 4/11/12
Under general supervision of the MIS Department Director, provides secretarial and administrative support for the Department of Management Information Systems.

Receptionist Mail Clerk

Closing date 4/11/12
Performs reception duties for the Southern Ute Tribal organization, including, but not limited to, operation of the telephone switchboard, greeting visitors, providing information about the Tribal government, and referring callers or visitors to the appropriate office for assistance. Performs clerical duties for the Tribal Information Services Director and other Departmental Divisions as needed, including mail processing and distribution. Pay grade 13.

Temporary – General Positions

Closing date 9/12/12
Temporary assignments can be needed in a variety of work areas: administrative and clerical duties, grounds and maintenance labor, snow removal, construction work, equipment operators. Temporary positions can last up to six months and do not earn vacation pay or sick leave. Applying for Temporary General Positions will allow your application to be considered as positions come available.

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KSUT Board vacancies

KSUT is seeking two tribal members to fill vacancies on its board of directors. These are non-paid positions that require attending board meetings every month, with additional special meetings as needed. KSUT is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Please send a letter of interest to Eddie Box Jr. at KSUT, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137.

Administrative Assistant Victim's Advocate Coordinator Trainee

Our Sister's Keeper Coalition and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe TERO office are accepting applications for an individual interested in completing a training program within our organization. Our Sister's Keeper is a tribal coalition assisting survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. Applicants must be at least eighteen years old; have the desire to stop violence; have some computer knowledge; demonstrate a professional attitude; have some office management skills; willingness to work various hours as needed. Applicant must NOT have current crimes associated with violence or crimes against children. Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent. Applicant must have a current drivers license and be able to transport clients. All applicants will be subject to a background investigation and drug testing. Please contact Our Sister's Keeper for the complete job announcement and qualifications at 970-259-2519. TERO Preference applies.

FORT LEWIS COLLEGE Student Success Advisor

The Native American Center is seeking a Student Success Advisor. The position provides support, creates and implements the NASSP at Fort Lewis College to increase the retention, academic achievement, graduation rates, and general success of the Native American/Alaska Native students on campus. A Bachelor's Degree and solid experience in higher education are required. 40-hour work week/12 months with benefits. Please visit www.fortlewis.edu/jobs and click on "Exempt Positions" to be directed to detailed job information including minimum qualifications and the application process. Applications received by April 13, 2012 will be given full consideration. Fort Lewis College is an AA/EEO Employer.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Powwow Committee vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has four Powwow Committee Member vacancies. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members or a Native American community member. Members serve on a voluntary basis. The responsibility of the Southern Ute Indian Powwow Committee is to promote the traditions and culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe through powwows. All interests individuals are urged to submit a letter of intent to Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building.

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Hotel

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Room Attendant – TMP, 4/9/12
Salon
Cosmetologist – PT no/benefits, open until filled
Table Games
*Poker Pit Boss – FT, 4/9/12

*Preference Given To Qualified Southern Ute tribal members and other Native Americans.
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BP - Job Announcements

For in-depth information on this position and to join our team, visit our website at: www.bp.com/epcareers. BP is seeking the following positions. BP is an equal opportunity employer. Click on the "View Jobs" under the "HSSE" category or click "Submit Resume/CV" and then click "Search Openings" and type in Req ID#.

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PO BOX 737 #149, CR 517, IGNACIO, CO (970) 563-0240

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 12NC012
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Jaiden Werito, Civil Subject

Notice is hereby given that Jaiden Werito filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Jaiden Jose Gomez. As of **March 12, 2012** no person filed an objection to the request, and therefore notice is hereby given that Jaiden Werito name shall be and is hereby legally changed to Jaiden Jose Gomez.

Dated this 14th day of March, 2012.
Chantel Cloud, Southern Ute Tribal Judge

In the Legal Name Change of, Case No.: 2012-NC-044
NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE
Marquise Javier Salazar, Civil Subject

Notice is hereby given that Marquise Javier Salazar has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Marquise Javier Cibrian. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **May 28, 2012 at 5 p.m.** If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

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Karla Tucson, Deputy Court Clerk

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CCIA convenes to Boulder law school

By **Jeremy Wade Shockley**
The Southern Ute Drum

Leaders from the Colorado Ute tribes gathered on Friday, March 23 with state officials for a Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting in the Wolf Law Building at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Key representatives included Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia, CCIA Executive Secretary Ernest House Jr., and members of the Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute tribal councils. Discussions covered a broad range of issues, including the Fort Lewis College tuition waiver, the Native American language bill, and tribal fishing rights.

Garcia emphasized that the FLC tuition waiver, which allows Native American students to attend the school tuition-free, was not in danger, as it is an obligation held by treaty. Recent attempts at legislation would have reduced the state's reimbursement to the school from the full price of tuition to the actual cost of education.

"The question is who is going to pay that tuition. The obligation [to pay] is not in question," he said. "No one is suggesting that the commitment to pay for Native students is going away."

House noted that the Native American language bill, which would allow tribal elders and fluent speakers of tribal languages to teach those languages in public schools without teaching licenses, was expected to pass in the coming weeks without opposition. The bill sailed through a state House of Representatives education committee with unanimous approval on Wednesday, March 21.

House and others shared positive comments regarding the ceremony to install Ute flags in the state Capitol the previous day.

"Thunder rolled through the Capitol yesterday," Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Council Member Manuel Hart said of the songs sung by Southern Ute Drum group 12 Gauge.

"I couldn't be more pleased and proud to have those flags hanging

outside [our office]," Garcia said.

Southern Ute Council Lady Pathimi GoodTracks shared recent success stories from the tribe's efforts in education and environmental protection, which included accreditation of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approval to allow the tribe's Air Quality Program to manage its own major source permitting program, both hailed as firsts in Indian Country.

Hart proposed a fishing agreement in the spirit of the existing Brunot hunting agreement, to allow greater fishing access across the State of Colorado to enrolled tribal members free of charge.

Southern Ute Council Lady Joycelyn Dutchie extended her congratulations to Ernest House Jr. for his reappointment as executive secretary of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs.

Phil Weiser, dean of the law school, introduced Indian Law Fellow Daniel Cordalis, a member of the Navajo Nation and

two-time recipient of the state's Native American Scholars scholarship funded by license plate sales.

"Opportunities through the school have been invaluable," said Cordalis, a former Durango resident.

"We are deeply committed to tribal law within our community," Weiser said. "Getting students from Native American communities and Indian tribes is a priority, and so is getting them scholarships."

The CCIA members are slated to reconvene in Towaoc, Colo., during the spring Bear Dance.

The Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting took place in the Wolf Law Building of the University of Colorado at Boulder on Friday, March, 23. Executive Secretary Ernest House Jr. recognized outgoing CCIA member Annie Lee with a Pendleton blanket. Members from each Colorado Ute tribe had an opportunity to voice their concerns before Colorado Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia.



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Local Ignacio Weather

Friday, April 6

Breezy, High 65° F

Saturday, April 7

Sunny, High 65° F

Sunday, April 8

Mostly sunny, High 71° F

March 22 March 30 April 6 April 13 April 21

Weather data for March 15 – April 2

Temperature

High 71.0°F
Low 13.1°F
Average 43.4°F
Average last year 41.8°F

Precipitation

Total 0.15 inches
Total last year 0.30 inches

Wind speed

Average 5.8 mph
Minimum 0.8 mph
Maximum 25.6 mph

Visibility & humidity

Avg. visibility 101.4
Avg. humidity 37.9%

Air quality
Good

Vallecito Lake thaws

On Friday, March 30, warmer temperatures set in for the weekend. The ice sheet on Vallecito Lake began to recede, opening up the season for fisherman across the region to begin their annual ritual.

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